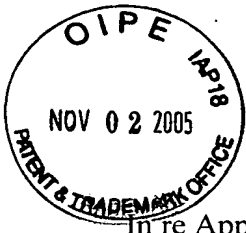


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**SECOND REQUEST FOR STATUS**

Applicants respectfully inquire as to the status of the above-identified patent application. Applicant previously filed a Request for Status on June 3, 2005. Applicant has not received any communication on the merits. Accordingly, Applicants are filing this Second Request for Status to respectfully inquire about the status of the present application, and in particular to request notice of when the first Office Action on the merits will be issued.

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**REMARKS**

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